

# Fulfilled and Finished

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Jesus fulfilled all the Old Testament prophecies regarding His crucifixion and death, proving that He indeed is the Messiah. Therefore, we should believe John's eyewitness testimony. In fact, he pleads in (v.35), "He who saw it has borne witness – his testimony is truth, and he knows that he is telling the truth – that you also may believe." The number of fulfilled prophecies should give us great confidence to live boldly for the gospel!

## **I. It Is Fulfilled In His Death – Read John 19:17-30 and answer the following questions.**

- A. What are the stated Old Testament prophecies that are fulfilled in these verses?
  
- B. After reading Isaiah 53:3-12, what other fulfillments of prophecy do you notice?
  
- C. After reading Psalm 22, what other fulfillments of prophecy do you notice?
  
- D. How does Jesus taking care of His mother in the midst of His death serve as an encouragement?

## **II. It Is Fulfilled After His Death – Read John 19:31-42 and answer the following questions**

- A. What are the stated Old Testament prophecies that are fulfilled in these verses?
  
- B. According to John 19:35-36, why is John writing all of these things?
  
- C. How is Jesus burial a fulfillment of Isaiah 53:9? How is this an encouragement to your faith?
  
- D. Isaiah was written in 740 B.C. How does that bolster your confidence in God and the gospel?

## **III. It Is Finished – Read John 19:28-30 and answer the following questions**

- A. How much do you think Jesus knows about the fulfillment of prophecy at His crucifixion?
  
- B. What is the significance of Jesus' declaration that "It is finished" (v.30a)?
  
- C. Why is it important that Jesus bows His head and gives up His spirit (v.30b)?
  
- D. The great hymn says, "*Jesus paid it all. All to Him I owe. Sin had left a crimson stain. He washed it white as snow.*" Do these words resonate with you? If so, how do they impact everyday life?